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THE SPIDER

The Spider's Spinning an All-New Web

One of the greatest pulp characters of all times is about to return—albeit in a new 21st Century incarnation. But the mission is the same, as is the modus operandi.

The Spider, produced by the creative team of *David Liss & Colton Worley,* offers a contemporary take on the classic 1930s pulp hero who starred in a series of adventures written by the great *Norvell W. Page* and others. Created by *Harry Steeger* at Popular Publications in 1933, the Spider fought crime by donning a black fedora, a black cape, a trademark ring and a brace of .45 automatics to terrorize the criminal underworld, while driving in his sleek black specially-outfitted Daimler.

In his civilian identity, the new Spider is Richard Wentworth, a decorated war hero and the son of a wealthy industrialist. But in order to combat the violence, ruthlessness, and despair that pervades his city, he adopts the role of The Spider, waging a one-man war against crime.

"One of the things we keep saying about the Spider is that he's a sane man in an insane world," writer *David Liss* explained. "He's someone who has taken it upon himself—because he has the skills and the resources—to fight back against insanely over-the-top bad guys bent on destruction, power and mayhem. To do all this, the Spider uses his brains, a lot of gadgets, his small circle of insiders and his willingness to shoot anyone who needs shooting. He also likes to brand his victims with a spider symbol on their cold, dead foreheads. That's always been one of my favorite details.

"The Spider's enemies thought nothing of demolishing city blocks, killing thousands, turning countless innocents into mindless slaves," Liss explained. "Faced with crime this insane, The Spider had to turn himself into a force of equal ferocity, destruction and ruthlessness. He's the most badass and take-no-prisoners of the pulp heroes because he has to be, and it's been absolutely awesome transferring that kind of sentiment from the 1930s to contemporary times. Some things have been updated, but he's still the kind of vigilante that makes the bad guys wet their pants."

The Spider got his start as Popular Publications' answer to the Shadow, but Liss assures readers that his take on the character is totally different. "I can see how back in the day readers might have seen him as a Shadow imitator, and that is certainly how he got his start—but given the prominence of vigilantes and superheroes in our popular culture, I don't think readers today would reach for the comparison automatically. If anything, today's readers will see him more as a Batman precursor.

"I think one of the things that most distinguishes the Spider from the Shadow, however, is the nature of his personal relationships with the people who help him in his work. The Spider's love interest, Nita, is someone he can never fully commit to, and that breaks his heart. In the original version, he was a man who felt deeply and expressed his sadness through various cultural outlets, such as playing music. He also has genuine and meaningful relationships with those who help him in his work. In the end, the Spider always felt like a more sympathetic and psychologically flawed character."

The Spider has been in development at Dynamite for six months since the license acquisition was originally announced. Was there any talk of producing this as another pulp-era series, or was the plan all along to bring it into the 21st Century? "We discussed it with David," publisher *Nick Barrucci* explained. "There were many reasons to keep him in the past, but utlimately there were more reasons to bring him to the present. David liked the idea of taking the Spider to the 21st Century; ultimately, we decided to take the risk with a present-day Spider, convinced that this would make the Spider compelling, There have been many stories set in the pulp era that fans knew about, but to grow a larger audience, David felt and we agreed that bringing him to the 21st Century was the way to go."

"When we first discussed the project, we talked about the merits of doing it either way, and I would have been happy to do it either as a period piece or an update," Liss added. "In the end, we preferred moving him to contemporary times, and I found that a very exciting and interesting challenge. The Spider is so rooted in his moment that it took a lot of work to figure out how to change some of his circumstances and some of the characters, but still keep the flavor of the original."

Rather than targeting only fans of classic pulp adventure, this ***Spider*** is squarely targeted towards "anyone who reads comics, anyone who *likes* comics. And of course, anyone who likes *David Liss*' comics and/or novels. And anyone who likes a cool character they haven't tried yet. ***The Spider*** is all that and more. Simply put, this is a *great* series! David is a great writer, and Colton is doing the work of his life. We've got fantastic covers and we couldn't be prouder of the series. We're focusing all of our efforts on the one series because we want to hit it out of the park—and thanks to David and Colton that's exactly what we're doing!"

Dynamite already had the Shadow—why the Spider, too? "Why? Why *not*?! They're both classic characters," Barrucci said. "Some fans see similarities, but they are very different, as you'll see when you read the first issue of the new series. Today, the Shadow is more well known, and the Spider needs to be more well known—that's our goal. The fact that we have both, in my opinion, is great because fans will absolutely be able to tell the difference between the two."

Does the presence of the two pulp heroes in two different eras eliminate any change for a crossover story? "For now, we're focused on one Spider series," Barrucci said. "We will only be releasing the single ***Spider*** series this year and we want it to stand on its own. Any potential crossovers—which there *always* can be —will be discussed down the line. Right now, though, we'd like to give the Spider the breadth he needs to capture an audience."

"We've got two great writers on our pulp hero launches—*Garth Ennis* on ***The Shadow*** and *David Liss* on ***The Spider***. David is a solid writer who has written some fantastic books for Marvel; now he is working with Dynamite, and we couldn't be happier. The fact that David is bringing him into the 21st Century is a plus, because it should bring in a larger audience."

What benefits does the series gain from a move into the present? "Not all readers are drawn to period pieces, and I think the Spider is the kind of character who deserves to have a broad appeal," Liss said. "Also, I don't think pulp necessarily belongs in the past, and I love the idea of bringing the pulp feel into the modern age."

In his pulp adventures, the Spider had a tendency towards brutal elimination of his enemies; in a way, he was a precursor to heroes like the Executioner, the Destroyer, and (of course) the Punisher. How much of that attitude survives in this new version of the Spider? "All of it!" Liss replied. "I don't see the point of the Spider if he's going to hold back. He's a moral character and he believes strongly in right and wrong, but when someone crosses that line, the Spider does not hesitate. It's one of the things that makes him so much fun to write.

The original Spider was assisted in his war on evil by Nita Van Sloan, the beautiful woman who stood by his side, as well as Ram Singh, his Hindu partner in crimefighting, and several other associates. Do they all appear in the contemporary revamp? "Nita and Ram Singh are both big players in our first arc, though I've had to make some changes to bring their characters up to date," Liss said. "In the old version, Wentworth could not marry Nita because he'd risk making her a widow, and he did not want to do that to her. It was all very patriarchal; while a conflict like that worked in the 1930s, I didn't buy it in the 21st century. Instead I had Nita married to someone else—Police Commissioner Stanley Kirkpatrick, another major character from the pulps.

"Ram Singh has also been updated. Instead of a manservant who speaks in broken English and feels uncomfortably like a 'noble savage,' he's now an immigration lawyer, and an ass-kicker in his own right. Also making an appearance early on is Professor Ezra Brownlee, the Spider's go-to guy for all things scientific. Ronald Jackson will also be showing up, but not right away."

The Spider's 1930s villains always seemed like the sort of adversaries you'd find in comic books, complete with very distinctive *noms de guerre*. Will readers see similar sorts of villains in this updating, or will his adversaries be more real-world? "It's not the Spider unless someone has a crazy name and is trying to pull off some kind of insane plot!" Liss said. "We've gone old school with this."

Is the contemporary Spider the only Spider there ever was in the Dynamite Universe, or will we learn that there was a pulp era/Golden Age Spider, as was the case with Dynamite's Green Hornet? "We haven't discussed that, so I'm going to leave continuity in the hands of guys at Dynamite," Liss said. "My feeling, however, is that since we've pretty much brought the whole supporting cast over from the pulps, this is The Spider, and if there was another one before him, it's not the one we know and love."

Artist *Colton Worley* brings a fresh new look to the Spider—but the artist explained that he can't take credit for the basic redesign. "The design of the character was actually done by *Alex Ross*," Worley said. "I only added a few minor alterations myself: I made the brim of his hat slightly larger, and I made the spider emblem on his hat red (when you can see it). I also use a sort of darker red for the red parts of his costume as well (the webbing on the cape and his eyes and his ring).

"These are all minor changes really; the only *major* change I made was to his cape. I made it scalloped or webbed at the edges so it looked more like a big black cobweb. I actually thought of making it a little torn as well, but that didn't match the rest of the design Alex had given. He dresses too nice to have a sort of torn up cape, you know?

"I also make his red eyes glow a little bit. Also, when drawing him I like to make him as shaded as possible--obviously I can't do this all the time, but I try

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to make him as mysterious as I possibly can."

In order to live up to his Spider name, Worley is bringing some Spider motifs to the character. "The webbing on his cape is an obvious Spider reference. I try to sometimes draw is cape spread out like a web in some cases when I can as well—and spiders are creepy, too, so I try to make him look a little creepy when I can."

What's the look of the Spider's world? "At first I wanted a kind of Blade Runner look to it, then I realized this isn't the future," Worley said. "It's set in the *now*, only slightly different. I remembered that *David Liss* wanted to have blimps in the original pitch, and I thought that would be great, so there are blimps *everywhere*! I remembered ***Blade Runner*** had these blimps with giant television screens on them reporting the news and showing ads and what not and I thought, 'that's a great way to show a lot of blimps and let the readers know this isn't your typical New York.' So it's set in current time but with a little retro feel to it. It's dark all the time but with some bright colored lights and signs for contrast and very much what would call 'pulp-noir.'"

Worley made his initial artistic mark as the illustrator of Dynamite's ***Dracula*** adaptation, for which he adopted a very dark, moody visual style. His later work on ***Kato*** has a more straight-ahead action-adventure look. Which style can readers expect for ***The Spider?*** "This is different than anything I've done before," Worley said. "For one thing, I'm doing *all* the illustrating here—both the line work and the colors, which is a lot of fun to do. I'm getting more and more detailed as the series goes, so that's a little different as well. Essentially I have a realistic sort of drawing style with some dynamic lighting and shading. I'm trying to get that film noir look without overdoing it."

"David and Colton are a perfect pairing for ***The Spider,***" editor *Joe Rybandt* said in conclusion. "The moment we saw Colton's first pages from #1 we spread them around like proud new parent's showing off pictures of our first-born, they were that amazing. All thanks to the incredible script by David, of course. The time is right for a pulp revival, and we're leading the charge!"

The Spider #1, a $3.99 comic, is set for May 23rd release. The book will be offered with variant covers by *Alex Ross, John Cassaday, Francesco Francavilla,* and *Ron Lesser.*

by Cliff Biggers

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•***Justice League #1 7th Printing*** (JAN128108), featuring a recolored version of the original cover, in stores 3/21.

•***Suicide Squad #6 2nd Printing*** (JAN128114), featuring a recolored version of the original cover, in stores 3/21.

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•*Grant Morrison* has announced that he is working with artist *Darick Robertson* on a new project, ***Happy,*** that will be published by Image Comics later this year. No specifics yet, but this does *not* mean the end of Morrison's work at DC, where he continues to work on ***Action Comics, Batman Incorporated,*** the upcoming ***Seaguy 3*** miniseries, and more.

•*Kieron Gillen, Jamie McKelvie, & Matt Wilson* are working on a third ***Phonogram*** volume entitled ***The Immaterial Girl;*** it's slated to debut later this year.

•*Brian Wood & Ming Doyle* are collaborating on a new Image project, ***Mara.***

•*Nick Spencer & Riley Rossmo* will join forces to unleash ***Bedlam*** at Image this fall.

•*Steve Niles* has *two* new projects in the works at Image: ***Crime & Terror,*** illustrated by Scott Morse; and ***Chin Music,*** illustrated by *Tony Harris.*

•***Detective Comics #9*** will now be a part of the "Night of the Owls" tie-in. "In ***Detective #9,*** Batman finds himself in the unlikeliest of situations saving Arkham Asylum administrator Jeremiah Arkham from a mysterious Talon," Batman series editor *Mike Marts* said. "What is the secret connection between the Court of Owls and Gotham City's oldest institution for the criminally insane?"

•Valiant has announced that they will work with comic shops to offer a special ***X-O Manowar #1 Pullbox Exclusive Variant*** featuring the only ***X-O*** cover by series artist *Cary Nord;* it is intended to be offered only to readers who add ***X-O Manowar #1*** to their pull lists before the end of March. "There are many lapsed readers out there who haven't visited a store regularly for years," publisher *Fred Pierce* said, and this limited edition cover is a great way to incentivize the act of opening a pull list subscription with your local retailer."

The following comics and comics-related books are tentatively slated for release on the dates given, based on the latest information provided by the publishers at press-time. If no date is listed, the books are scheduled for release sometime in the month of April. Diamond Comic Distributors' code numbers are included for ease of ordering.

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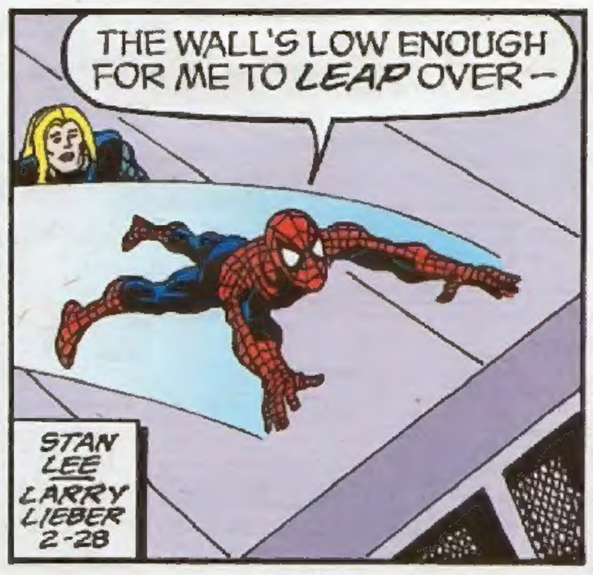

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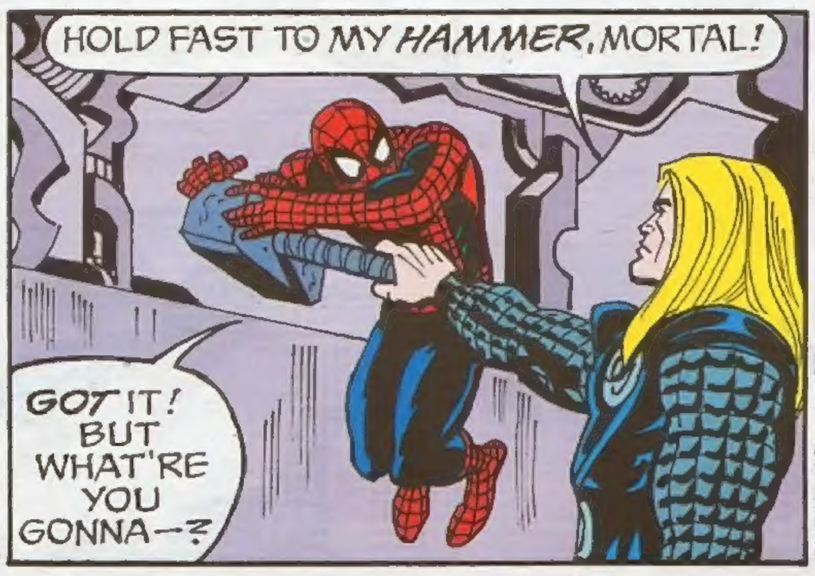

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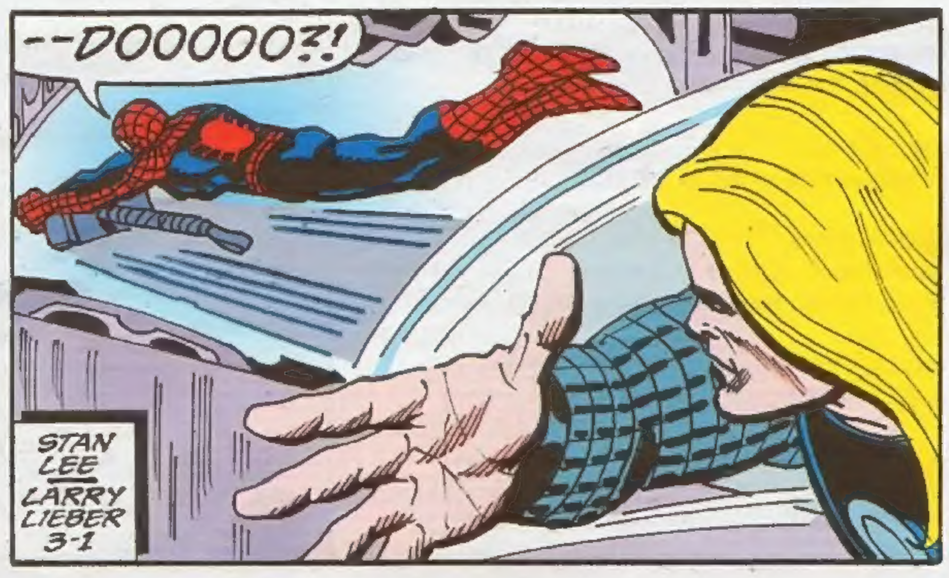

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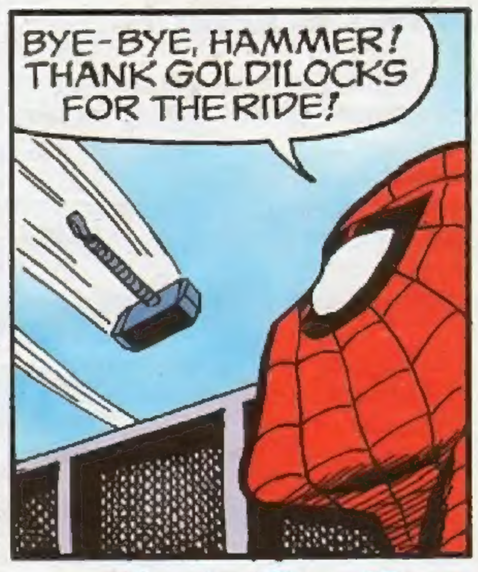

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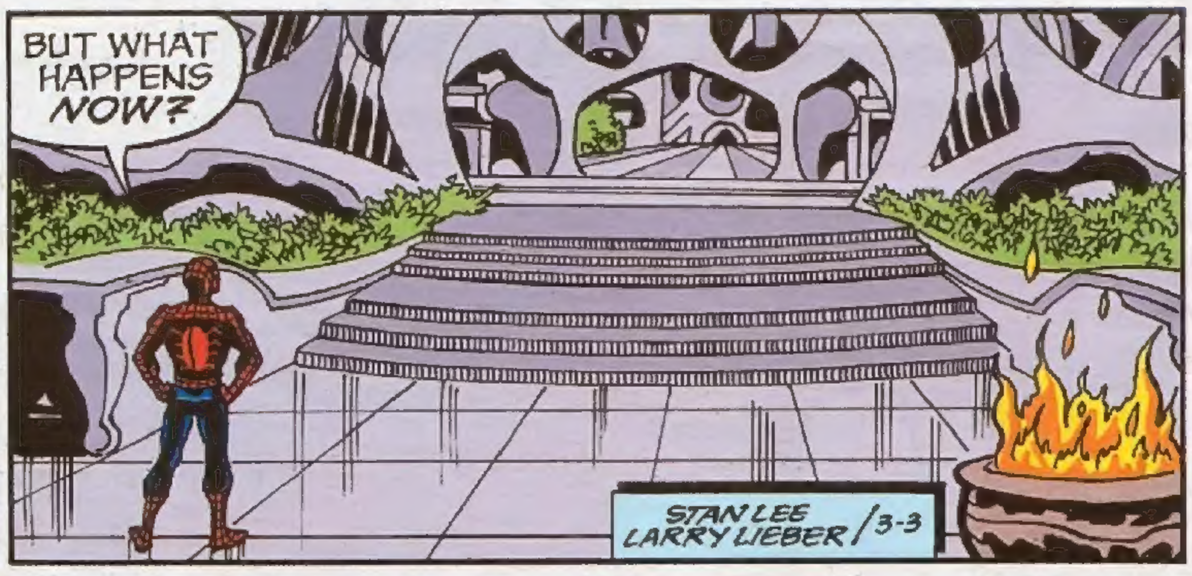

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